Thursday, 18 October 1946

INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST Chambers of the Tribunal War Ministry Building Tokyo, Japan.

PROCEEDINGS IN CHAMBERS

ON

Paper No. 467 - Application by the Accused KIMURA, for production of witnesses, Captain TAZUNI, et al, and documents, under Art. 9(e) of the Charter.

Paper No. 479 - Application by the Accused HATA, for production of witnesses, Lt. General MATSUI, et al, under Art. 9(e) of the Charter.

Before:

HON. SIR WILLIAM WEBB, President of the Tribunal and Member from the Commonwealth of Australia.

Reported by:
Julian Wolf
Official Court Reporter
IMTFE

Appearances:

FOR THE PROSECUTION SECTION:

NONE

FOR THE DEFENSE SECTION:

- MR. WILLIAM LOGAN, JR., Counsel for the Accused KIDO, Koichi.
- MR. JOSEPH C. HOWARD, Counsel for the Accused KIMURA, Heitero.
- ARISTIDES G. LAZARUS, Lieutenent, Counsel for the Accused HATA, Shunroku.
- MR. BEN BRUCE BLAKENEY, Counsel for the Accused UNEZU, Yoshijiro.
- MR. GEORGE F. BLEWETT, Counsel for the Accused TOJO, Hideki.

FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY, IMTFE:

- MR. CHARLES A. MANTZ, Clerk of the Court.
- MR. HERBERT W. DELANEY, Assistant Clerk of the Court.

The proceedings were begun at 0900.

THE PRESIDENT: This application is a request for the production of itnesses and documents; by the accused KIMURA, Heitaro. This is an application in respect of Captain TAZUMI, Major IKEJIRI, Bin, Major General ICHIDA, Jiro, Major General TANAKA, Ryukichi, and for certain documents; namely, the Vice-war Minister's order concerning the treatment of enemy air crew members who made raids upon Japan, being army secret No. 2190, the 28th of July 1942. Vice-Chief of General Staff's order concerning treatment of enemy air crew members, General Staff Secret Order No. 3831.

Manual of Military Law, published in England. Who is making the application; you are?

MR. HOWARD: Yes, sir.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any opposition?

MR. HOWARD: Apparently not.

THE PRESIDENT: You state the reasons for the evidence that you can give very briefly. That is all that is required.

We will make the order for the witnesses and for the documents. Ordered as prayed.

This is a request for production of witnesses

by the accused HATA, Shunroku. The witnesses proposed are Lieutenant General MATSUI, Takuro, Lieutenant General SAWADA, Shigeru, Lieutenant General KAWABE, Shozo, Lieutenant General HARADA, Kumakichi and General OKAMURA, Neiji. There are no documents required.

The evidence that the witness can give is not indicated against each name is it; but is there any general statement?

LIEUTENANT LAZARUS: Yes, sir; there is sir.

THE PRESIDENT: Yes. You appear for the applicant, do you not Lieutenant?

LIEUTENANT LAZARUS: That is correct, sir.

THE PRESIDENT: Ordered as prayed.

LIEUTENANT LAZARUS: Yes, sir.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any other business Mr. Mantz?

CLERK OF THE COURT: No, sir.
(Whereupon, at 0903 the proceedings

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were concluded.)